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Re: KPSC Case No. 2002-00276; Presumptive Validity

Dear Dorothy:

At the presumptive validity hearing on September 15, 2004, in the above-captioned matter, the Commission granted leave to AT&T to send a data request to BellSouth on the issue of burden of proof as reflected in some of the questions while Ms. Blake was testifying on cross-examination. AT&T's data request is set forth below:

Data Request: Currently, BellSouth has the burden of proving that its tariff filings should be approved as just and reasonable under KRS 278.190. Would BellSouth's presumptive validity proposal ever shift, or place, the burden of proof from BellSouth to or on (a) the Commission, or (b) any intervenor, either before or after the tariff becomes effective, whether or not the tariff was suspended by the Commission? If so, please explain each and every such instance.

Sincerely, C. Cent Hatte

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